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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION STATE INFO ABU DHABI DHAHRAN JIDDA KUWAIT
TEHRAN COMIDEASTFOR 22 JUL 73 FROM MANAMA RPT TO YOU
QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L MANAMA 0428

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS : PFOR, BA, SA

SUBJECT : FAISAL - SHAIKH ISA TALKS ON ARAB DISPUTES IN GULF

1) AMIR COMMENTED TO CHARGE JULY 22 ABOUT HIS TALKS LAST WEEK
WITH KING FAISAL. SHAIKH ISA DECLARED IT WAS A GOOD VISIT AND
MENTIONED
SOME OF POINTS THEY COVERED ON VARIOUS DISPUTES AMONG ARAB STATES
AROUND GULF.

2) HE SAID SAUDIS WERE ANNOYED BY KUWAIT'S RECENT INITIATIVES
FOR UNIFIED ACTIONS BY ARAB GULF STATES AND BAHRAIN'S SUPPORTING ROLE

HOWEVER, WHEN SAQQAF TAXED SHAIKH MUHAMMAD ON THIS ISSUE DURING
FONMINS MEETING, LATTER EXPLAINED BAHRAIN WAS ONLZ DOING WHAT IT
THOUGHT SAUDI ARABIA WOULD WANT IT TO DO.

3) IN EFFORT TO COMPOSE LONGSTANDING SAUDI-ABU DHABI DISPUTE OVER
BURAIMI IT WAS ARRANGED TO SEND FONMIN SHAIKH MUHAMMAD BIN MUBARAK
TO ABU DHABI JULY 23, ARMED WITH MAPS AMIR SAID, TO SEE SHAIKH
ZAYYID.

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4) ON SUBJECT OF BAHRAIN - QATAR DISPUTE, FAISAL WISHED ISA LUCK.
LATTER INDICATED THERE WAS NOT MUCH PROSPESCT OF MOVEMENT ON THIS ONE
BECAUSE QATAR CLAIMED HAWAR ISLAND WHICH BAHRAIN WOULD NOT CONSIDER
HANDING OVER.

5) IRAQI PROPAGANDA ATTACKS AGAINST SAUDI ARABIA ARE ANGERING
FAISAL, AMIR SAID. IN FACT AMIR OPENED OUR TALK BY SAYING HE HAD
JUST GIVEN VISITING IRAQI EDUCATION MINISTER
SALE TO IRAQI
PRESIDENT ASKING HIM TO HALT THESE ATTACKS. STEIN
UNQUOTE ROGERS

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